

1261-1264

183rd Pope

URBAN II

Tours, France. Instituted
F^{rat} of Cyprus Christi.

AD1261

Greek empire restored in Constantinople

1261

Michael VIII PALAEOLOGUS captures
Constantinople, restoring Greek and
ending Latin Empire.

Urban II Pope

1261 - 1282

1912 Dates J-BK

MICHAEL VIII was Byzantine emperor

1261 - 1453

1912 Dates J-BK

The Byzantine empire was
restored by the PALAEOKOISI.

1261

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(1234-1282) Michael PALAEOLONUS

or Michael VIII

The first of the PALAEOLOI. He was the ruler of Nicaea and when, in 1261, his general took Constantinople from Baldwin II, Michael ruled with him as joint emperor. He caused his colleague to be dethroned and blinded. His efforts to unite the Eastern & Western churches met with no success.

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Crusades

The Latin empire was
destroyed by MICHAEL PALAEOLONUS
of the NICALEAN empire.

1261

Constantinople fell to Emperor
MICHAEL VIII.

Venice retained possession
of most of the Greek islands, the
duchy of Achaia passed under
CATANIAN rule and ACIAIA stayed
in the hands of VILLEHARDOVIN
family until 1278

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(1228-1261) BALDWIN II

Seventh Latin emperor of Constantinople (1228 - 1261). The son of Prince de Courtenay and nephew of Baldwin I. His reign was disastrous. He spent much of his time in the West seeking aid for his capital. He sold to St. Louis of France some of the most sacred relics of Constantinople. In 1261 his capital was taken by one of the generals of MICHAEL PALAEOLOGOS, ruler of NICAEA, and Baldwin II fled to Italy.

He was the last of the Latin emperors and
was succeeded by the Nicaean emperors.

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The Byzantine reconquered
Constantinople and most of
Greece.

The net result of this warfare
between Greek/Latin; between
Christian East/Christian West, was
a profound and enduring hostility.
Cooperation against the common Muslim
enemy was henceforth impossible.

The Byzantine Empire was irresistably
weakened by the temporary Latin Conquest;

1261

Eastern Empire

Emperor MICHAEL PALAEOLONUS
receives Comitatemople.